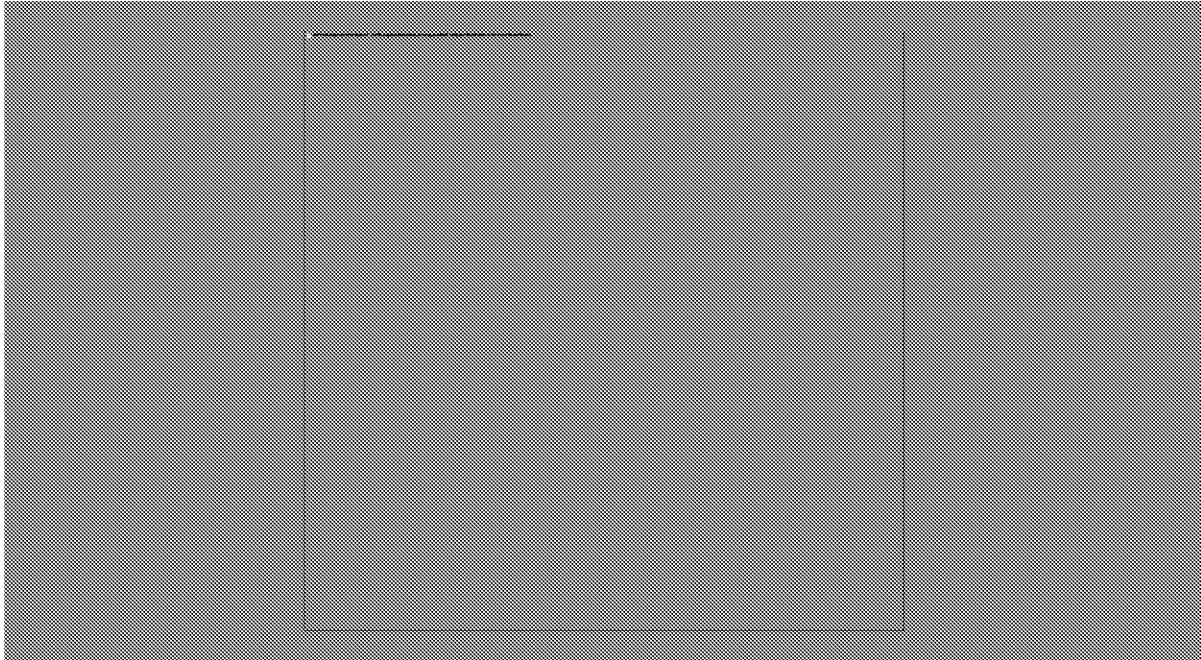


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Plum Island deserves permanent protection as a National Monument. That's the message that supporters from 43 states—and counting—have sent to President Biden!

Beautiful Plum Island has garnered support from sea to shining sea with just a few states to go: Alaska, Arkansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Tennessee. Tell your family and friends in these states why Plum Island should be declared a National Monument, and ask them to send their letters, too!

Help us keep the momentum going! Send your letter to the president today, then forward this message to a friend in AK, AR, LA, MI, NE, SD, or TN!



Ecologically a gem, Plum Island is bathed by the waters of two national estuaries and is home to the largest seal haul-out site in New York. Over 111 species of conservation concern have been documented on this 822-acre island, which lies only about 100 miles east of the bustle of New York City. In addition, the island is home to the National Register of Historic Places Plum Island Lighthouse (1869) and the National Register of Historic Places Fort Terry (1897) army barracks and weapons batteries. Plum Island is also highly valued by members of the Montaukett Indian Nation as part of their cultural heritage.

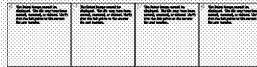
In December, reporting language supported by senators Chuck Schumer, Chris Murphy, Richard Blumenthal, and Kirsten Gillibrand was included in the federal omnibus funding package, calling for a joint briefing to Congressional committees by the agencies involved in Plum Island's future. In January, their staffers joined high-level administrators from every agency involved on a two-day tour of Plum

Island to get that collaboration rolling. Plum Island is closer than ever to conservation!

But the White House still needs to hear from you and the rest of the country. Please, send your letter now!

Thanks, as always, for supporting the preservation of Plum Island.  
Louise Harrison, Long Island Natural Areas Manager

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